

The City of Frederick Mayor & Board of Aldermen Workshop

August 21, 2013 3:00 PM City Hall Boardroom

Call to order & Pledge Allegiance Approval of the July 31, 2013 Workshop Minutes

Agenda topics

- Discussion of an Amendments to Section 864 of the LMC, Sign Regulations, Pertaining to Signage in the Open Space (PRK) Zoning District and City Athletic Facilities

 – Gabrielle Dunn
- 2. Discussion of Amendments to Section 417 of the LMC, *Mixed Use Districts* (MU-1 and MU-2) Pertaining to Modifications to the Bulk and Dimensional Requirements in the Mixed Use Districts Gabrielle Dunn
- 3. Discussion on The Catoctin
 Mountain Scenic Byway Plan
 Being Prepared in Conjunction
 with the Crumland Master Plan
 Application Gabrielle Dunn
- 4. Aldermanic Comments

It is the policy of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen to permit public comment limited to five (5) minutes per person or ten (10) minutes per group. A sign up sheet is available prior to the meeting.

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Mayor Randy McClement called the Workshop Meeting to order at 3:00 PM.

Mayor McClement led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Attendees – Mayor Randy McClement, Aldermen Karen Young, Michael O'Connor, Shelley Aloi, Kelly Russell, Assistant City Attorney Rachel Depo

Alderman Carol Krimm is attending Transportation Planning Board in Annapolis.

The July 31, 2013 Workshop Minutes were approved with a motion by Alderman O'Connor, second by Alderman Young. Final vote was 4-0.

Alderman Krimm arrived at 3:15 PM.

* The August 21, 2013 Workshop meeting is available for viewing in its entirety via Granicus web streaming on The City of Frederick website, www.cityoffrederick.com

Agenda topics

 Discussion of an Amendments to Section 864 of the LMC, Sign Regulations, Pertaining to Signage in the Open Space (PRK) Zoning District and City Athletic Facilities – Gabrielle Dunn

Discussion – Gabrielle Dunn, Division Manager of Current Planning, led the discussion regarding proposed changes to Section 864 of the Land Management Code entitled, *Sign Regulations*, for the purpose of exempting signs in the Open Space (PRK) zoning district from the signage regulations with the approval of the mayor and Board of Aldermen. This is being brought forth as part of the ongoing discussions regarding "naming rights" at the Harry Grove Stadium.

Public Comment

None

Conclusion – Mr. Adkins and Ms. Dunn will continue working with the Planning Commission and revise the amendment to include only the Harry Grove Stadium parcel and any ground immediately necessary related to the stadium.

2. Discussion of Amendments to Section 417 of the LMC, *Mixed Use Districts* (MU-1 and MU-2) Pertaining to Modifications to the Bulk and Dimensional Requirements in the Mixed Use Districts – Gabrielle Dunn

Discussion – Gabrielle Dunn, Division Manager of Current Planning, led the discussion on the proposed changes to Section 417 of the Land Management Code (LMC) entitled *Mixed Use Districts (MU1 and MU 2)*, for the purpose of expanding the Planning Commission's modification authority with regards to the bulk and dimensional standards required in the MU districts.

The Applicant is seeking approval for the requested change in conjunction with the Crumland master plan application. Through the development review process, it was determined that the existing regulations do not allow for the flexibility that the Applicant is seeking in developing alternative lot designs, namely lots which do not front on a public street or right of way.

The Planning Commission was in agreement with the proposed changes to Section 417 of the LMC.

Public Comment

Bruce Dean

Alex San Andres

Conclusion – This item will move forward to a Public Meeting for formal action.

 Discussion on The Catoctin Mountain Scenic Byway Plan Being Prepared in Conjunction with the Crumland Master Plan Application – Gabrielle Dunn

Discussion – Gabrielle Dunn, Division Manager of Current Planning and Brandon Mark, City Planner, led the discussion regarding adoption of The Journey Through Hallowed Ground National Scenic Byway Plan as required by the Annexation of Crum Property, Resolution 12-30.

Staff supports the Byway Plan however; staff recommends that the Applicant expand their vision regarding the type of architect and signage that is visible from the Interstate as well as the types of material that are planned to be used. State Highway Administration would like the Applicant to expand the buffer along the Interstate as well as participate in the planting of memorial trees for the fallen Civil War soldiers.

Public Comment

None

Conclusion – This item will move forward to a Public Meeting for formal action.

4. Aldermanic Comments

- Alderman Russell reminded everyone of Alive at Five Thursday evening and the Roller Derby planned for the weekend at the William Talley Recreation Center.
- Alderman Young said that she and Alderman Krimm attended the 1st Session of the 2014 MML
 Legislative Committee today. The consensus of the Committee is to pursue increased levels of
 highway user revenue. Minimizing tax duplication was also another important issue discussed.
 Radar cameras speed monitors were discussed. Alderman Young will work with City staff to see if
 the use of radar cameras as well as additional topics discussed aligns with City needs.
- Alderman O'Connor spoke regarding the recent Streets and Sanitation Committee where as Chair of the Committee, he forgot to ask for public comment. He apologized to Alderman Krimm who was there to make public comment. He also stated that he feels there is a divided between what the rules say are going to happen and what the public thinks will happen due to legalese etc. which can lead to mistrust of government. This is relative to a possible traffic light at North East Street and 16th Street.
- Alderman Krimm thanked Alderman O'Connor and said her reason for public comment at the Streets and Sanitation meeting was to give a brief history of that neighborhood. Alderman Krimm spoke on the congestion at that intersection (North East Street and 16th Street) at certain times of day. She wants to make sure that residents understand what was said at the Streets and Sanitation Meeting. Also regarding the Worman's Mill case, she wants to wait to see what Judge Theresa Adams renders as her opinion on the case before she moves forward on the 310 issue. The opinion of Judge Adams may contain some guidance.
- Alderman Aloi said she agrees with what was said regarding the Streets and Sanitation Committee and the Worman's Mill litigation. Alderman Aloi said that Volt's Top Chef Brian Voltaggio is on Top Chef tonight and Art in the Park is this weekend at Harry Grove Stadium.

The meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Susan Harding